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**To:** Hanchett, James (DPH)  
**Subject:** A Message from Secretary Bigby about the Annual Blood Drive

Dear EOHHS Colleagues,

I am writing to ask you to support the **Fourth Annual Commonwealth Employee Blood Drive**. The need for blood donations is strong. This year EOHHS has joined with other Commonwealth agencies in its partnership with the American Red Cross to host the **Fourth Annual Commonwealth Employee Blood Drive** which includes ten drives for six days in August. The Red Cross has issued an appeal for blood donors of all types due to a critical blood shortage across our nation. Every two seconds someone in America needs blood. That's why your blood donation is so important.

During our annual drives over the past three years, Commonwealth employees have generously donated over 1200 units of blood and potentially saved over 3600 lives. Our goal is to collect even more units than last year and we need your help!

If you haven't already signed up to donate, please consider donating. Ask a friend or family member or co-worker to join you and sign up to donate together. All eligible donors are welcome at our drives. **Each donation can save up to three lives!**

Thank you for your past and continued support.

JudyAnn Bigby, M.D.

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### Register Now!

To register to donate, please email us at [EOHHSgivesblood@state.ma.us](mailto:EOHHSgivesblood@state.ma.us) or call (617) 348-5408 and provide the following information:

- Full name (please spell if leaving a voicemail)
- Agency
- Desired day/location
- Preferred time (appointments are available in 15 minute intervals)
- A phone number and/or e-mail address where you can be reached

### Fourth Annual Commonwealth Employees Blood Drive August 8 - August 15, 2011

City	Site Name	Address	Room	Day	Time
Boston	Department of Public Health	250 Washington Street	Public Health Council Room	Mon 8/8	8:00 am - 5:00 pm
Hyannis	Barnstable HHS Center	181 North Street	Conference Room	Mon 8/8	10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Shrewsbury	Glavin Regional Center	214 Lake Street	Multi-Purpose Room	Tues 8/9	9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Taunton	Taunton State Hospital	60 Hodges Avenue	Recreation Building	Tues 8/9	10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Boston	McCormack Office Building	1 Ashburton Place	Ashburton Café	Wed 8/10	9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Westfield	Western Mass Hospital	91 East Mountain Road	Auditorium	Wed 8/10	10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Wrentham	Wrentham Developmental Center	131 Emerald Street	Graves Auditorium	Thur 8/11	10:00 am - 4:00 pm
Tewksbury	Tewksbury Hospital	365 East Street	Events Room	Fri 8/12	9:30 am - 3:30 pm
Boston	McCormack Office Building	1 Ashburton Place	21st Floor	Fri 8/12	9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Boston	Massachusetts State House	24 Beacon Street	Great Hall	Mon 8/15	10:00 am - 3:00 pm

### All Donors Will Receive...

- A newly designed commemorative Commonwealth Blood Drive t-shirt
- A coupon for a FREE box of 6 chocolate covered fruits from Edible Arrangements
- A free Big E ticket (Westfield drive only)
- Entry in the Blood Donor of the Game drawing (a pair of Red Sox home game tickets, recognition at the game and a commemorative souvenir)

### Thank you again for your continued support!

*Commonwealth employees, with supervisory approval, can receive up to 4 hours of paid leave time to donate blood through the Massachusetts State Employee Blood Program (MSEBP). Employees who are unable to participate at one of these locations may donate under the MSEBP at any blood collection site in Massachusetts.*